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Sir:

In satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant wishes to draw the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to the references cited on the accompanying form PTO-1449. Copies of the references are enclosed.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(c) and 1.97(e)(1), the undersigned states that reference 42-52 listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449 were cited in the International Search Report dated December 19, 2001, for a counterpart PCT application. A copy of the International Search Report for the counterpart PCT application is enclosed

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a final action under § 1.113, a notice of allowance under § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), the fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Our Order No. A-68364-1/RMS/DCF).

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